GHCA GQI Asphalt Committee February 2004 Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2004 Holiday Inn Conference Center, Macon

A short meeting was called at 12:30pm after the 2nd Annual Georgia Asphalt Pavement Quality Conference to review the Conference and cover two items relating to qualified technicians.

CONFERENCE

Roger Dill reported that about 140 people had registered. All agreed that the Conference had gone well. A suggestion was made to make the Conference only one day next year to be able to have more attendance, especially GDOT Construction personnel. The Program Committee will take that up later.

Attached is a summary of the evaluation forms from the Conference. 49 responses were received.

WEB CONNECTION FOR FCDS

Georgene Geary reported that the IT Division of GDOT has reported that they cannot continue to support the current method of transferring data by phone to GDOT due to security issues. They have developed a method through the internet that is secure and can also let the Contractor review what they have submitted. This new method will be available with the latest release of FDCS (version 4.0). Internet connectivity will be required for this new method. The Contractors were sympathetic to this and agreed to investigate the options for internet connections at their plants. It was also discussed that the email accounts that had been required for each QCT would be changed to an email account for the plant and for the QCT Managers of each plant. All correspondence will be sent out to both the Plant email and QCT Managers email to improve communications. The IT Division of GDOT has requested a May 31, 2004 date for switching over to the new system. With the new system the IT Division will be able to set up a secure site where QCTs can view all the 150 and 159 reports that are on the GDOT database for their plants.

QCT RECERTIFICATION

The Committee has had previous discussions about revising the recertification procedures for QCT Level I and Level II. A proposal was discussed at this meeting and agreed to in principle by all the attendees. These guidelines were reviewed by Roger Dill and are being sent out under a separate Asphalt Bulletin.

Georgene Geary also noted that the OMR recently had a minor reorganization. Don Wishon was introduced as the Bureau Chief over the Testing Bureau, which includes Testing Management. Peter Wu is the Bureau Chief over the Technical Assistance area, including Bituminous and Pit and Quarry. JT Rabun, who was the State Pavement Engineer, is now the Bureau Chief over the Quality Administration Bureau. Attached is a phone listing with the organizational structure of OMR.

Reminders:

The GQI/GHCA/GDOT Asphalt committee meeting minutes are now on the web at: http://www.dot.state.ga.us/dot/construction/materials-research/asphaltcommittee.shtml

ATTACHMENTS: Summary of Evaluation forms from the Conference

DISTRIBUTION:

See Attached Sign-in Sheet

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